

U3A Townsville Inc.
Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 13th March 2026
at 10.10a.m. at Sunnycare Home Services
Corner Fulham Road and Palmerston Street, Townsville
(Note: these minutes have not been ratified)

Pauline welcomed the members to the Annual General Meeting and advised she would be stepping down as President after 5 years.

Present:

Pauline Woodbridge, Larry Frazer, Pat Frazer, John Webster, Phil Young, Fred Sacroug, Angela Ward, Karen Fourie, Manuella English, Mike Mills, Kathy Joyce, Kaye Martin, Kate Eagling, Spud Dinning, Terry Fittler, Graham Collins, Mary Collins, Lorraine Ryrrie, Antonia Gerrard, Monika Hutter-Gibson, Lynn Jacoby, Lutz Jacoby, Wendy Simpkins, Bill Simpkins, Ernie Valdeter, Georgina Valdeter, Trish Jordon, Steve Brown, Ian Cormack.

Apologies:

David Glasgow, Rita Tomba, Marie Radford, Kloudya Pollard, Angela Cundy, Brydget Baker-Hudson, Genevieve Caldwell, Sandra Smith and Bruce Meuller, Julie Walder, Judy Caine.

Confirmation of the minutes of the 2024 AGM held on 26th March 2025

The minutes were deemed a true and correct record. Moved Georgina Valdeter, seconded Monika Hutter-Gibson. Carried

President's Report

Pauline spoke of the challenges that have been faced by the branch over the last year with firstly having to move from Seniors and then having to move from D4 into A1.

She asked members to consider standing for the committee and one of the various positions available, and advised that U3A are unable to operate without a President. She acknowledged her fellow committee members, the tutors and administration volunteers for stepping up and making the organisation work so well.

Moved Pauline Woodbridge/Seconded Antonia Gerrard that the President's report be accepted. Carried.

Treasurer's Report

The financials for the year ended December 2025 were presented to the meeting via PowerPoint and printed copy.

Transaction Account \$22,858.11.

Debit Card \$278

Petty Cash Account \$100

Fixed term deposit \$8296.78 (Expires May 2026)

Interest received on Fixed Term Deposit \$361.07

Current Assets \$31,532.89

U3A's Net Position was \$-9,836.45

An Independent Review Report was performed by Melissa Piotto from Findex Accounting even though there is no requirement for the financials to be audited.

Membership for 2025 was 533 as of 31st December 2025.

The \$40 membership subscriptions paid each year allows U3A Townsville to:

- Pay for its monthly rental invoice of \$1,331.56 to Colliers for the Vincent premises and then \$1,292.50 to ILC Sunnycare, the new owners of the Vincent complex since November 2025.
- Maintain its annual membership with the U3A Network Queensland and paid \$291.60 for the 2025 period based on membership as of 31st December 2025.
- Maintain its annual Insurance Public Liability coverage with the U3A Network Queensland and paid \$1,128.60 for the 1st of October 2025 to 30th September 2026 coverage period.
- Maintain its annual Copyright licence coverage with the U3A Network Queensland and paid \$98.00 for the 1st of April 2025 to 30th May 2026 coverage period.
- Maintain its annual OneMusic licence coverage with the U3A Network Queensland and paid \$115.57 for the 1st of July 2025 to 30th June 2026 coverage period.

Larry gave a further explanation on the Copyright Licence and the Music Licence.

All Committee Members, Office staff and Tutors/Facilitators do so on a volunteer basis and are NOT paid for their services to U3A Townsville.

Larry also explained that due to moving costs to and from Senior Citizens Welfare Association and continuation of paying rent for the Vincent premises has resulted in a loss for the year ending December 2025.

Moved Larry Frazer, seconded Monika Hutter-Gibson that the financials be accepted. Carried.

Ratification of the decision of the Committee to maintain the annual membership fee of \$40 for 2026.

Pauline moved the request for ratification of the decision of the Committee to set the membership fee at \$40 for all members for 2026 and to vary the membership fee for 2027 if necessary.

Seconded Trish Jordan. Carried.

Election of Office Bearers for 2026

Monika Hutter-Gibson read out all nominations to hand.

Treasurer and Grants Coordinator	Larry Frazer
Secretary	Lorraine Ryrrie
Promotions	Pauline Woodbridge
Committee Member	Phil Young
Committee Member	Antonia Gerrard

Pauline stressed again the need for a President, as without one, U3A cannot function and would need to cease operating. The position of President is only a job title; all decisions are made at committee level.

Ian Cormack nominated Pauline – she thanked Ian but declined the nomination.

Fred Sacroug indicated that he would take on the position – he was subsequently proposed by Graham Collings, seconded Larry Frazer. All in favour.

General Business

- Pauline asked permission from the attendees to take a photo of the group.
- Larry advised that the keys to A1 would arrive this morning after 11a.m.
- General talk occurred regarding the moving process, and the question was asked if U3A were considering any other venue but with A1 being so close to D4 the move was advantageous at this time. The move was made easy with many volunteers turning up to help. Talk occurred of which entry and exit doors to use.
- Pauline asked again for any volunteers from the attendees for other positions that are vacant on the committee. This resulted in Karen Fourie volunteering to take the Class Coordinator / Events position. She was subsequently nominated and seconded via the nomination form.

Meeting closed at 1055.